

STRIKERS HIT FORD PLANT

How Ace Sleuths Tackle Mystery Slaying in N. Y.

"Perfect Crime" No. 3 Tests Skill of Manhattan's Manhunters

SLAYER DEFIES 'LAW'

New York's Vast Machinery Used in Gedeon Murder Case

By CHARLES ORMAN
AP Feature Service Writer

NEW YORK.—At three o'clock on Easter afternoon in New York, a chill March wind blew. On Fifth avenue, a few valiant strollers, garbed in holiday finery, still were seen.

And at that hour a water-thin man with glasses and a young woman walked along 50th street, bent on visiting the thin man's estranged wife and another daughter. A block from fashionable Beekman Place they entered a walk-up apartment house. Perhaps, as they glanced toward the river, they recalled the brutal murder nearby of young and beautiful Nancy Titterton a year before.

The man was Joseph Gedeon, an upholsterer, the young woman with him was his married daughter. They ascended four flights, and entered Mrs. Gedeon's apartment.

A Pekinese in the living room remained silent.

Find Three Slain
Going to the bedroom, they came upon stark tragedy. On the bed, unclothed, lay Veronica Gedeon. Loveliest of models, the toast of artists, she might almost have been posing once more, had it not been for the disorder of the room and the cruel marks left by a sadistic slayer. Under the bed, partly disheveled, lay the body of Mrs. Mary Gedeon, her mother.

Father and daughter had seen the worst, but they had not seen all. In another bedroom opening off the opposite end of the living room lay the body of Frank Byrnes, a lodger. Gedeon summoned the police.

As they arrived, uniformed and in plain clothes, the Pekinese roused itself and barked shrilly.

Third Time in a Year
It was the third time in little more than a year that a fleshly killer had given New York's crack cops a seemingly baffling crime—with meager clues. Thrice a young and beautiful woman had been struck down—Nancy Titterton (a piece of string led her slayer to the chair); Mary Cuse (a bit of skin under her fingernails trapped her slayer); and now Veronica Gedeon. A few strands of hair scraped from under her nails were all police had to go on.

But they observed the actions of the Pekinese.

Deputy Chief Inspector Francis J. Kear, arriving quickly on the scene, could not help noting resemblance to the Titterton case which had given him and his men a pretty good workout. The two murders took place only a block apart.

Working under Inspector Kear was Captain Edward Mullins of the homicide squad, whose men "broke" the Titterton slaying.

Big Silent Man
Kear is 6 feet 1; he has a meticulous air. An observer cannot help being impressed by him—his height, his blue eyes, white hair, neat, double-breasted suit—but he remains non-committal even when he is talking, which is rare indeed. He doesn't speak a sentence when a word will suffice. When he is not talking, he wears a poker face.

Mullins, on the other hand, with his friendly blue eyes and curling hair that forms a lock like a mound above his forehead, doesn't mind talking at all, provided the subject is no longer "evidence" or "hot." His voice is low, but strangely intense, especially when he talks about queer angles, such as the murder that looked like a suicide, or the suicide that looked like a murder.

Once more they were confronted by a crime which made them two smooth-working cops in a gigantic machine which New York throws into high gear when a sensational murder startles Gotham's Seven Million Sleepers. When the case was solved...

The task of finding the triple slayer or slayers of East 50th street became for them the first order of business—for them and for Manhattan's other picked sleuths.

The apartment with its gruesome exhibits was barred to the curious.

In Case of Confession
Experienced members of the homicide squad, experts from the technical research laboratory, sieved the contents of the five rooms, sprinkled powder to bring out tell-tale fingerprints. A representative of the district at-

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IT'S A RACKET!

by CLAUDE STUART HAMMOCK

An exposé of the clever schemes that swindle the American people out of millions of dollars yearly.

Jerry Wade was one of the army of unemployed. A thoroughly experienced driver, he daily made the rounds of garages, looking for an opening. At the Crescent, Fred Manning, the owner, took him aside.

"Jerry," he said, "there was a man here today who wants a bus driver."

"That's music to my ears!" said Jerry.

"His name is Freyne," Manning continued, "and he represents a big passenger bus line. Now, here's the dope. He didn't advertise because he doesn't want a lot of job-hunting floater. So keep it quiet. He asked me to send him the best man I knew—somebody I could recommend."

"Fred, that's great! Where do I call him?"

"At the Great Western Hotel. Go to room 302 at 11:30 tomorrow morning. Here's a card he gave me. I'll sign it, recommending you. Then give it to him. But don't say a word to anyone."

At the appointed time, Jerry was admitted to room 302 by a tall, dignified man.

"Are you Mr. Freyne?" Jerry asked.

"Yes, I am Mr. Freyne."

Jerry presented the card. "I'm Jerry Wade, Fred Manning of the Crescent Garage sent me."

"Oh, yes, Wade. Come in," Freyne offered Jerry a chair. "I am the personnel director of the Inter-Ocean Bus Corporation. We are about to start our do-luxe 'Ocean-to-Ocean' service. This city will be a relay station for drivers. Now, we want a local man—if we can find the right one—that people will have confidence in."

"I follow you," said Jerry.

"You look like you can be trusted," Freyne went on, "so I'm going to show you something. But I don't want it talked about."

Freyne opened a large leather case and took out several beautiful drawings and scale models. "These are some of our new buses and terminals. They certainly look swell!" said Jerry.

"The best that money can buy!" Freyne replied. "And we also offer a wonderful position—the chance of a lifetime—to the man who can qualify. But we want only the best. . . . Have you ever driven a bus?"

Jerry hesitated. "Well, no."

Freyne seemed irritated. "Sorry. We wouldn't consider an inexperienced man."

"But, Mr. Freyne!" Jerry pleaded. "I've had plenty of experience driving all kinds of cars and trucks. I can pass any test. I was chauffeur for the 'job.'"

Champion Churchgoers

MARION, Mich.—(AP)—This village of 900 residents claims the distinction of having the greatest number of churches per capita—one for each 180 persons—of any community in western Michigan. Denominations include Latter Day Saints, Methodist, Free Methodist, Catholic and Seventh Day Adventist.

Dinner Costs Bobcat's Life

CANON CITY, Colo.—(AP)—A chicken dinner was the cause of the death of a bobcat that broke into Colorado prison.

The cat, a 45-pounder, dug into the chicken pens and guards discovered him munching on six chickens. They shot him.

Mounting Prices of Steel, Copper Flayed by F. D. R.

To Reverse PWA Policy, Money to Be Spent on Other Commodities

IS DANGER SIGNAL

Comparison of Living Costs in Arkansas Are Asked

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—President Roosevelt struck at mounting prices of durable goods such as steel and copper, by announcing Friday that public works expenditures will be aimed hereafter at providing more purchasing power for consumer goods.

H acknowledged that this constitutes a reversal of the public works policy pursued at the outset of his administration. Steel bridges and other heavy projects were favored then to "prime the pump" of the durable goods industries.

Now, Mr. Roosevelt said at a crowded press conference, prices in those industries are far too high and durable goods production is increasing faster than the output of consumer goods. He contended this is a danger signal and that public works money should be spent hereafter on channel dredging, earthen dams and the like to spread purchasing power.

Consumer goods, as classified by the Federal Reserve Board, include such articles as food products, wearing apparel, tobacco, and gasoline.

The president's announcement was followed quickly by a sharp break in prices of stocks and some commodities. Steel and copper led the decline.

Mr. Roosevelt gave no intimation that he has in mind any action, beyond the direction of public works expenditures, to control the prices he criticized.

Comparison Is Asked
LITTLE ROCK.—(AP)—N. O. Ellis, secretary of the Little Rock Central Trades Council, said Friday night that Senator Joe T. Robinson has requested an investigation into the relationship between living costs and wages paid Works Progress Administration workers in Little Rock.

Ellis said statistics compiled recently by the council showed cost of 22 staple articles of food increased 5 and 1-8 per cent during the past four years.

He said the figures were sent Robinson who replied that he had asked WPA Administrator Harry Hopkins to investigate conditions here and "take such steps as the circumstances justify."

Haunted By Stolen Cars

CANTON, O.—(AP)—A couple of Canton policemen are wondering if automobile thieves are trying to accommodate or embarrass them.

Patrolman C. C. Hinkle broadcast a report of a stolen car, then went home to find the machine parked at his curb.

Detective Ralph Trump spent the day looking for another stolen car when he arrived home, there it was, abandoned in front of his house.

Turned Brown By Brown Turner

LONGVIEW, Texas.—This Supreme Court mess has got me in a notion to stick to the justices of peace after all. Any time you go before one of them it's going to cost you something anyway, and most of the time the case is too petty to appeal and you have a feeling like you have after drinking a bottle of off-brand beer—sort of wish you'd let it alone in the first place. Haven't heard much about Russia since they adopted a constitution, so maybe they're in some sort of a contest to see who understands it, and why.

Starts Battle to Keep Street Open

Injunction Is Obtained After Rail Crossing Is Barricaded

LITTLE ROCK.—(AP)—Citizens of Rison, Cleveland county, started a court battle Friday with the state highway commission, state rangers and Cotton Belt railroad to keep open one of the town's streets.

They obtained from County Judge Dave Cash at Rison an injunction ordering the removal of a barricade thrown up on each side of the railroad company's tracks Friday, charging the barrier had closed a street which had been in use 25 years. The suit charged railroad employees erected the barricade while two rangers stood guard.

It all started over the erection of a new \$60,000 overpass over the railroad company's tracks, 300 yards from the street now involved in the controversy.

Highway Director Hames R. Rhine conferred with Attorney General Jack Holt after being notified of the issuance of the injunction and prepared to resist the writ.

"The street in question was a dangerous crossing over the railroad tracks," Rhine said. "When the government contributed money for elimination of grade crossings in Arkansas this Rison situation became part of the job."

"The government required assurance on all projects that the eliminated crossing would remain eliminated. The Rison city council passed an ordinance closing the crossing which was a part of state highway 35."

"The overpass was built and opened to traffic, about three months ago. It is my understanding that the city council then repealed the ordinance which had eliminated the dangerous crossing and that people started using it again."

"With the crossing thus not eliminated, the United States bureau of roads has refused to approve the final estimates for the contractor who built the overpass. He's left holding the bag."

The D. F. Jones Construction company, Little Rock, built the span.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture started as a one-man bureau of the Patent Office. In 1862 Lincoln elevated it to the status of a federal department, with a secretary to represent it in the cabinet.

John E. Browning, Rural Mail Carrier, Dies Here Saturday

Succumbs at His Home After Illness of Eight Months

FUNERAL SUNDAY

Services to Be Held at the Rocky Mound Cemetery at 2:30

John E. Browning, 60, retired rural mail carrier, died at 7 a. m. Saturday at his home on East Third street. He had been ill for the past eight months. He was born in Hope and had lived here practically all his life. He carried the mail on Hope Route Two for 27 years, retiring last year because of ill health.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Rocky Mound cemetery, with the Rev. W. R. Hamilton, pastor of First Baptist church, officiating.

Surviving are his widow, four sons, Oscar of Malvern, Wylie, Harry and Clyde of Hope; one daughter, Miss Clara Browning of Hope; two brothers, Jim of Houston, Texas, and Charley Browning of Hope; one sister, Mrs. W. E. McFarland of Emmet; his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Browning, of Emmet, and two grandchildren.

Waterloo Cutoff to Get Blacktop

Will Be Main Road to Oil Field—Work to Start April 9

PRESCOTT.—In a series of meetings of the Chamber of Commerce held recently with W. H. Mann, area engineer of the Works Progress Administration, which includes Nevada county, details were worked out and assurance was given that with the co-operation of the county officials, Berry Asphalt Company and Benedum & Trees Oil company, work will begin April 9th on the Waterloo Cutoff road project, connecting Highways 19 and 4.

The road is to be blacktopped with concrete bridges and it is expected that the work will be completed within 30 days. Machinery and equipment will be moved to the job starting Monday.

This is the main road into both the new and old Nevada county oil fields and when completed will be a first class, all-weather highway.

Completion of other projects in this county are to follow in rapid succession, are the plans of the department.

Cotton

NEW ORLEANS.—(AP)—New Orleans May cotton opened at 14.33 and closed at 14.38. Spot closed quiet, middling 14.78.

In U. S. to Escape Divorce Furor



Amy Johnson Mollison, pictured arriving at New York, has reversed the Lindbergh plan for seclusion—she has come to America to escape the "unpleasantness" attendant on the filing of a divorce suit against flyer Jimmy Mollison in London. The daring aviatrix asserts that she will compete against Mollison in the New York-Paris air race next August.

CCC Applications Are Wanted Here

20 Recruits Needed to Reach Hempstead County Quota

Mrs. Sallie M. Browning of the Hempstead County Welfare Board said Saturday that the CCC quota for Hempstead county had not been reached.

Application for 20 more recruits will be taken at the welfare office in the Elks building.

Youths from any branch of public relief are eligible. The age range is from 17 to 27. Applications will be taken, starting Monday. The Hempstead quota is 54.

Trustees Vote to Retain J. Reeves

Disregard Gov. Bailey's Wishes for Change in Administration

LITTLE ROCK.—(AP)—The board of trustees for the boys industrial school at Pine Bluff voted Friday, four to one to retain John Reeves as superintendent, disregarding a suggestion made by Governor Bailey earlier in the day.

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Nation's Strike Troubles Center on Auto Industry

Kansas City Ford Unit Forced to Close by "Sitdowns"

COAL STRIKE ENDED

Signing of 2-Year Agreement Announced for 400,000 Miners

(By the Associated Press)

The withdrawal of the soft coal industry from the scene of industrial conflict left the automotive industry as the major trouble spot on the nation's strike front Saturday.

At Wilmington, Del., sporadic disorders attended the first hours of a strike called by the Central Labor Union to support of a truck driver's walkout.

Signing of a new five-year contract after a one-day shutdown of all soft coal mines dispelled a threat of a strike involving more than 400,000 miners.

All of the big three automobile producers were beset by labor trouble. The Ford Motor company joining the list when a sitdown stopped assembly lines at its Kansas City plant.

K. C. Plant Closed
Sit-down strikers struck their first blow at the huge Ford Motor Company organization Friday afternoon when several hundred workers picketed what they called discrimination in selection of men to be laid off. Seized the Ford assembly plant at Kansas City.

The men said they were members of a newly formed local of the United Automobile Workers of America. Committee for Industrial Organization-sponsored union which has organized a nationwide campaign of sit-downs in motor plants.

Estimates of the number of men in the plant varied from a police report of "more than 800" to a claim of 1,400 by Homer A. Kelley, who identified himself as a union committeeman.

Several hundred workers congregated on streets outside the plant, some yelling encouragement to those in the building. The crowd outside was augmented by parading members of other C. I. O. unions in Kansas City.

Jack Swift, president of the Chevrolet-Fisher local of the U. A. W. A. said Ed Hall, second international vice president of the union, would arrive early Saturday to negotiate for the strikers. Hall, speaking during a General Motors strike at Kansas City several weeks ago, asserted the U. A. W. A. was "ready to move in on Henry Ford."

Ford strikers quoted him Friday night when questioned by reporters and said that move had started.

The strike was called at 3:15 p. m. when the second group of men to leave the plant for the week-end received layoff slips with their pay envelopes. As word of the layoff spread among workers, the men sat down at their jobs.

Kelley said the layoff was applied to many employees who had been on the

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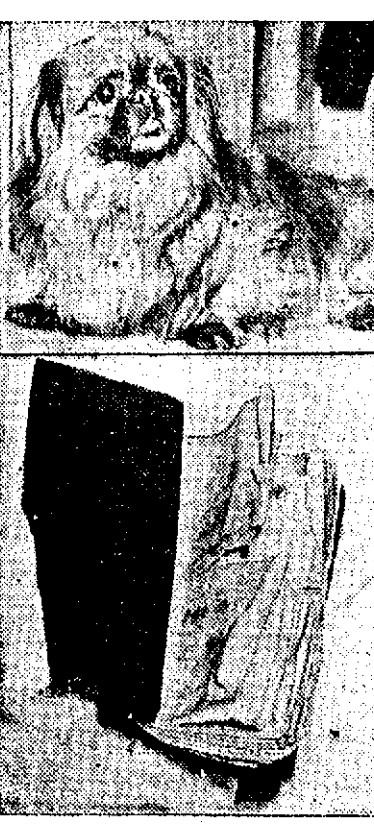
Clues in Grisly Mystery of Model's Murder Police Reconstruct Triple Crime



Carelessly tossed on the top of the bathroom hamper, Veronica Gedeon's fur coat, dress and pocketbook help New York police decipher the story of her murder. They indicate that she undressed in the bathroom, unaware that the killer who had murdered her mother and roomer lurked near.

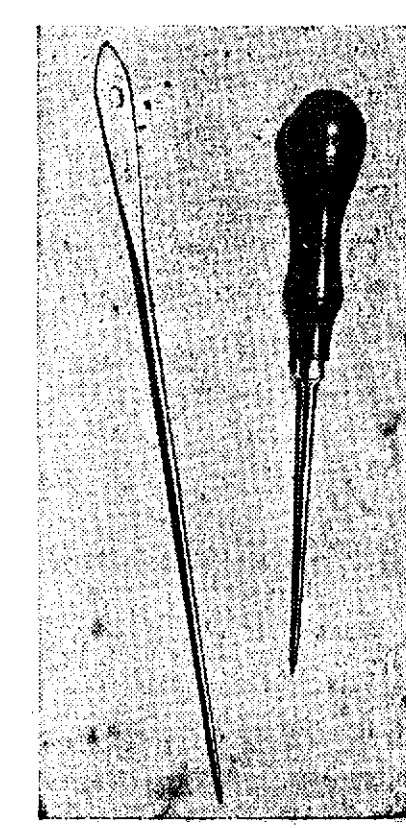


Found beside Veronica Gedeon's nude body was the torn slip which she wore from bathroom to bed and believed to have been torn off by the killer.

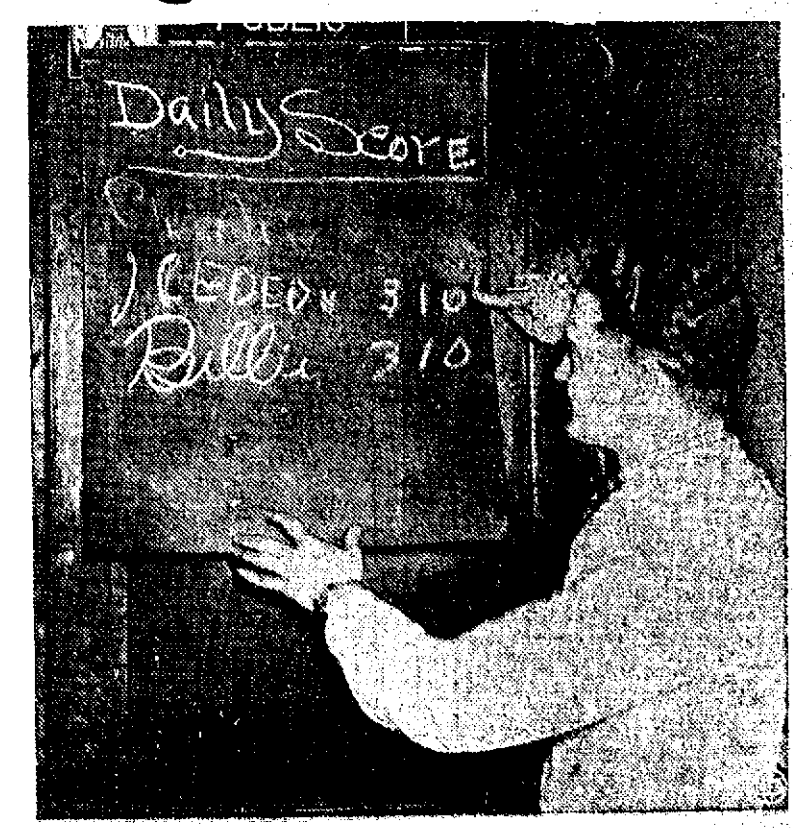


Silence of "Touch" (top), Gedeon pet, during the murders indicates an intimate was the killer. All listed in Veronica's address book (below) were questioned.

Today's Picture Story From Meager Evidence



Upholsterers' needles, found in the shop of Joseph Gedeon, husband and father of two victims, resemble the weapon that killed Frank Byrnes.



Trump card in the alibi of Joseph Gedeon to account for his actions at the time his wife and daughter were being strangled is the checkbook score in a cafe near the death flat. "J. Gedeon 310" it reads, evidence that he had spent many hours there at play on the fatal night. He won \$1 for high score.

A THOUGHT

There is nothing on earth worth being known but God and our own souls.—Bailey.

Society

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April Babies

It may be merely fantasy—I cannot tell you why. But April babies seem to me like bits of smiling sky. They come when gardens wake; they seem alert, expectant, gay. They laugh; they cry, but tears soon dry. Upon an April day, And all through life these April folk keep something of the spring. They love to plant and prune and poke. In gardens; love to sing. They lift your moods like joyful birds. Love you unconditionally. They work with seeds, or paint or words. Know grief—and ecstasy. Could I choose now, I'd be a wild, dream-hunted, elfin April child! —Elizabeth Newbert Hepburn

The above poem, by Elizabeth Newbert Hepburn is dedicated to all April babies, and is used today as a special compliment to the little girls who are celebrating their birthdays on Saturdays, on Saturday, April 8, as follows:

Miss Patricia Ann Williams, my little friend of the breakfast table, entertained a group of her young friends Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Williams on South Main street. This delightful party was in celebration of the young hostess' ninth birthday. There was a huge birthday cake, topped with nine burning candles, and attractive favors were distributed among ten friends, and following numerous games, ice cream and cake were served.

Another honoree for today is Miss Nancy Jane Woodford of Little Rock, who was tendered a birthday celebration by her aunts, Misses Marie and Nannie Parkins at their hospitable home on East Second street. A beautiful birthday cake, embossed in pink, topped with candles announced that it was Nancy Jane's ninth birthday at so. A pink and green color scheme predominated in the decorations and the nine candles topping the beautiful birthday cake. Ice cream and cookies

were served on small tables centered with cunning pink baskets filled with pink and green candies.

To both these April honorees we venture to hope "That all through life, they keep something of the spring."

Mrs. A. E. Slusser spent the week end visiting with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Milwee in Little Rock, later visiting with her parents, in Jonesboro.

Miss Allene Campbell, H. W. Grossard representative of Dallas, was the Thursday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cook.

Circle No. 1 of the W. M. S., Mrs. John P. Cox tender will meet at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Spencer in Brookwood.

Miss Evelyn Johnson of Dallas, Texas, is the week end guest of her mother, Mrs. Aline Johnson.

Musser Rivers of the L. S. U. has returned to Baton Rouge, La., after an Easter vacation with his sister, Mrs. Rufe Martindale and Mr. Martindale.

Misses Marie and Nannie Parkins have as week end guests, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Woodford and little daughters, Nancy Jane and Susan Ann of Little Rock.

Mrs. D. L. Bush, Mrs. Clyde Montis, Mrs. C. B. Presley and Mrs. W. W. Compton were Friday visitors in Texarkana.

T. C. Erringer, who has spent the winter in Mexico arrived Saturday for a visit with his son, Orville Erringer and Mrs. Erringer.

Circle No. 3 of the W. M. S., First Methodist church will meet at 3 Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Don Smith, South Elm street.

Circle No. 2 of the W. M. S. of the Methodist church, Mrs. J. B. Koonce leader, will meet at 3 Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. H. Arnold on North Hervey street.

Circle No. 4 of the W. M. S. Methodist church will meet at 3 Monday afternoon with Mrs. E. E. White and Mrs. C. D. Lester on North Louisiana street.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Episcopal church will meet at 3 Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Spragins, South Hervey street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Spragins will have as week-end guests, their son, Stuart Spragins and his friend, Howard White, both of Little Rock.

Friends will regret to hear that both Mr. and Mrs. C. Frank Miles are in the Julia Chester hospital. Mr. Miles recovering from a cataract operation in a Memphis hospital and Mrs. Miles suffering with sprains and bruises sustained from being knocked to the pavement by an automobile while in Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hamiter and small child will leave Monday for their home in Los Angeles. They will be accompanied by Mr. Hamiter's father, T. M. Hamiter of Patmos, who will visit them for an extended time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Cofield of Emmet Route One announce the arrival of a baby son, born at 9 a. m. Friday in Julia Chester hospital. Both mother and son are doing well.

Stabbed on Ride With 'Good Boy'



When Frances Fitzgerald, 14, above, went for a ride with Thomas Smith, 18, Buffalo model youth who never smoked nor drank, she was stabbed with an ice pick and unwittingly aided in solving a two-month-old murder mystery, police said. Smith was jailed, accused of stabbing Frances, and confessed, police said, to having knifed and clubbed Mary Ellen Babcock, 18, to death while impelled by an "uncontrollable impulse."

Urges Passage of School Fund Bill

Measure Would Provide Funds for Arkansas Schools

WASHINGTON—(P)—Representative David D. Terry, Little Rock, Ark., urged Friday passage of the Black-Harrison-Fletcher bill to provide federal aid to public schools.

Terry endorsed before the house education committee the measure which calls for a federal appropriation of \$100,000,000 for the next fiscal year, and a \$50,000,000 yearly increase to a \$300,000,000 maximum.

Arkansas' share the first year would be \$1,727,876, with a maximum of \$1,183,028 for the fifth and succeeding years.

CLUB NOTES

Bingen
The Bingen Home Demonstration club met at the community canteen Tuesday, March 23, with ten members present. One new member was added to the roll.

The meeting was called to order and the Lord's prayer was repeated in unison. The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved, after which several songs were sung.

After reports from the various leaders, Miss Rouse gave a demonstration on candle-wicking breads.

The improvement committee reported much was being done. The club will meet at the same place in April and the demonstration will be on clothing.

Ozan-St. Paul
The Ozan-St. Paul Home Demonstration club held its March meeting in the home of Mrs. C. K. Osborn at 2 o'clock March 3 with 22 members and one visitor, Mrs. Martin of Washington present.

The Home Demonstration women's creed was read. The entire group then sang "We'll All Get Together."

The devotional was read by Mrs. D. E. Goodlett.

After the reports from the leaders and the business meeting, Miss Bullington gave an interesting talk on "The Farm Bureau."

Mrs. E. F. Goodlett talked on the subject "The Water System in the Home."

Mrs. G. S. Smith talked on "The Standards of Housing."

Mrs. Jones read a beautiful article on "Music."

"Government and Taxation" was given by Mrs. Clara City.

Gawes were led by Miss Willie Stuart and prizes were won by Mrs. Mary Harris, Mrs. C. D. Ball and Mrs. G. S. Smith.

Miss Bullington made pocketbook rolls which were served hot with butter.

Rocky Mount
The Thimble club met at the home of Mrs. Will Humphrey, Wednesday afternoon. One quilt was tacked and one was pieced. The prize was won by Mrs. D. O. Silvey.

Those present were: Mrs. W. Fairchild, Mrs. E. G. Wright, Mrs. Alton Boardman, Mrs. Edward Chambliss, Mrs. D. Beard, Mrs. Norman Taylor, Mrs. Henry Pickard, Mrs. Florence Fincher, Mrs. Harold Higginson, Mrs. Roland Fulmer, Mrs. William Fincher, Mrs. Walter Histon, Miss Paralee Boswell, Mrs. D. O. Silvey, Mrs. Leonard Higginson, Mrs. R. J. Pearce, and Miss Nora Arnette. Some delicious fudge was served.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. O. Silvey, the club combined with a bridal shower, which will be given for Mrs. Edward Chambliss, formerly Miss Helen Fincher. Everyone is invited.

DeAnn 4-H Club
The club met at the school house March 23 with Miss Rouse, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, and Mr. Jack Anderson, Assistant County Agent. The meeting was called to order by the president, Ambrose Robinson. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. A song was sung and the meeting was turned over to the agents. Mr. Anderson took charge of the boys.

AT THE SAENGER-HAIZO THEATERS

The adventures of three lovely daughters of a rich New Yorker, who amass their father's romance with a fortune hunting blonde, provide the amusing theme of "Three Smart Girls," showing Sunday and Monday at the Saenger.

The picture marks the debut of 13 year old Deanna Durbin who, through



Deanna Durbin, who makes screen debut in Universal's "Three Smart Girls"

the medium of the radio, has electrified millions with a golden soprano voice which has attracted the attention of Metropolitan Opera Company officials.

Other members of the outstanding cast are Binnie Barnes, Alice Brady, Ray Milland, Charles Winninger, Mischa Auer, Nan Grey, Barbara Reed, and John King.

For Sunday and Monday at the new Rialto, Manager Swanke has booked a special return showing of that gorgeous all color picture, featuring Fred MacMurray and Sylvia Sydney in "Trail of the Lonesome Pine." Good short subjects will complete the program.

Sunday shows at the Rialto will be the same schedule as at the Saenger, 2, 4 and 9 Sunday night. Monday through Friday the policy will be continuous from 1:15 to 11 p. m.

Loyalist Troops Occupy Mountain

Insurgents Halted in Drive on Bilbao From South

BILBAO, Spain—(P)—Government troops fought their way to the top of a 4,000 foot mountain peak Sunday in what their commanders asserted was a successful attempt to halt an insurgent drive on Bilbao from the south.

They occupied the summit of La Cruz, highest of the Cantabrian peaks which surrounded Bilbao and which the insurgents must surmount before starting the downhill advance on the northern Autonomous capital.

and gave an interesting talk on livestock. Miss Rouse took charge of the girls and gave a very interesting demonstration on serving meals.

The meeting then adjourned until the last Tuesday in April.

Spring Hill
Miss Bullington and Mr. Mountcastle met with a group of young people at the Spring Hill High School auditorium Tuesday, March 20 to organize a Junior-Adult 4-H club. Mr. Mountcastle acted as chairman of the meeting and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Hugh Garner; vice president, Gladys Johnson; secretary and treasurer, Hugh Garner; reporter, Lucy Mae Foster.

Plans were made to sponsor a membership drive.

The club will give an entertainment on April 7. A discussion on house planning will be held also.

Sunshine Boys at Emmet, Bodcaw

4-H Club Group to Sponsor Their Appearance at Emmet Monday

The Emmet 4-H club will sponsor a presentation of the Sunshine Boys at the school auditorium Monday night, April 8 at 7:30 o'clock.

The club will get 50 per cent of the proceeds which will be used toward paying the expenses of club representatives to the Rally Day at Prescott, Visiting Day at Hope, and 4-H club encampment at Fayetteville.

The 4-H club boys and girls are counting on the co-operation of the entire community.

The Sunshine Boys will appear in the auditorium of Bodcaw High School Saturday night, April 10. Their appearance at Bodcaw is sponsored by the Bodcaw High School.

He's an Expert in Solving Explosions

David J. Price Specializes Only in Dust, Other Natural Causes

By MORGAN M. BEATTY
AP Feature Service Writer

WASHINGTON.—When David J. Price picks up a headline screaming "explosion," he packs his bag for a quick plane ride to the scene.

This chief of the agriculture department's bureau of chemical research is recognized as the world's outstanding "explosion detective" when it comes to tracking down the source of a blast.

With his staff, he follows up "clues" to past explosions to arrest future ones.

The quick-eyed specialist is not interested one whit in plain dynamite or nitro-glycerine. But any natural explosion of dust or gas makes his brow eyes sparkle. He pores over photographs of the scene carried in newspapers, and calls it "finding the fundamentals." Studying such fundamentals back in 1917 brought the discovery with colleagues in the bureau of mines that coal dust is as great an enemy of the miner as coal gas.

Discovers Dust Danger
Price was an early discoverer of the mounting danger of dust explosions in the industrial age. As a result he has helped design buildings that bent the dust and avoid ignition.

Once a great industrialist chanced upon an article describing Price's work, and recalled he had a new plant with a possible dust hazard opening within 24 hours. He sent for Price.

"You'll have a dust explosion within a day after you open this plant," Price told the man.

"How can you prevent it?"

"You can't do that immediately, but you can remove a serious danger to your workmen."

Engineers recommended opening the plant, believing Price was blowing off a lot of empty theory. But they did take his advice to vent the plant by replacing a big section of roofing in a dust laden conduit with a heavy cloth.

Prediction Comes True
Within 24 hours the explosion Price predicted had occurred but it vented itself harmlessly through the cloth roofing. Then they called him in again and he showed them how to pipe waste carbon dioxide gas from their furnaces to vulnerable spots in the plant. They have had no trouble since, because carbon dioxide gas is death to fire.

Natural explosions are simple enough. They are merely sudden ignitions of inflammable materials, usually gas or fine particles. The resulting gases require expansion within a fraction of a second or else an explosion like the New London, Texas, school disaster follows.

Price does not wait for explosions to occur naturally to give him new problems to study. "He makes his own at an 'explosive gallery' he has built in Arlington, Va."

Price likes to "flood his men" stopped the fires in the flood zone last spring—fires that were caused by water.

Farmers were puzzled when their barns started burning down after the waters receded in West Virginia and Ohio. Price told them to stick a thermometer in their hay and call a fire department to scatter it when the temperature reached 200 degrees Fahrenheit. They did, and the barns stopped burning.

The answer is that bacteria in water-soaked hay caused fermentation, and that started heat in the heart of the stack.

Arkansas College Has Best Year in History

LITTLE ROCK—(P)—Dr. W. S. Lacy, president of Arkansas College reported to the board of trustees Friday that the Presbyterian institution enjoyed in 1934-37 one of its most successful terms since its founding in 1872. There was an enrollment of 118.

The board discussed plans for a financial drive to aid the college, naming a committee composed of Judge S. M. Bone, Batesville; James A. Pattillo, Little Rock, and the Rev. David Shepperson, Helena, to work out a program.

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U. S. Income Taxes in Sharp Increase

69 Per Cent Gain in Shown in Report of the Treasury



Thomas Smith, 18, above, never smoked or drank, but he confessed to Buffalo police, they say, that he stabbed and beat 18-year-old Mary Ellen Babcock to death because of an "uncontrollable impulse." His confession came after he was arrested stabbing Frances Fitzgerald, 14, another Buffalo girl, with an ice pick. His arrest led to solution of a two-month mystery.

General expenditures for the period this year totaled \$3,007,605, completed with \$2,909,000 a year ago. The increase resulting from social security under the social security act, river and harbor programs, national aviation and inclusion of emergency construction work in the "regular" budget.

Spending for "recovery and relief" totaled \$2,184,973,594 for the first nine months of this year, compared with \$2,430,300,889 last year.

The deficit for the respective periods was \$1,192,552,681 and \$2,227,120,510.

Attorney Plans Sales Tax Suits

Revenue Department to Attempt to Collect on Sale Used Cars

LITTLE ROCK—(P)—J. Hugh Wharton, revenue department attorney, said Friday he would file suits against eight Little Rock automobile firms Monday asking payment of \$1800 sales tax on used car sales.

He said the money was due the state under terms of the Hall act of 1935, which was supplanted this year by the Northcutt sales tax act.

"The law required the dealers to collect the tax on used car sales from the purchaser and remit it to the state," Wharton said.

How Ace Sleuths
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torney's office arrived—in case there was an arrest and a confession.

Routine questioning detained a score or more of the slain trio's friends and acquaintances.

Dr. Thomas A. Gonzales, soft-spoken, natally attired, came in his capacity of Acting Chief Medical Examiner, made a preliminary examination of the bodies, then ordered them taken to the morgue for autopsies.

Once more, as in the Titerton and Case murders, the police machine whirled on. While one detective or two might take the spotlight, they had behind them organization and teamwork.

Narcotic Charge Is Denied by Prosecutor

HOT SPRINGS—(P)—John D. Hoskins, former prosecuting attorney of the 18th judicial district, pleaded innocent Friday when arraigned before United States Commissioner C. Floyd Huff on a charge of selling a small amount of morphine.

He was liberated under bond of \$1000 after demanding a hearing, which was set for April 9.

Commissioner Huff said Hoskins was accused of selling the morphine to a Kansas City narcotics agent in Hot Springs, March 1. He was arrested Friday by Deputy United States Marshal J. L. McBurnett.

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FEMININE BOB MIX ON A HORSE

MAYBEVER SUFFERER

MARK WANTED HER TO BE A SINGER

Nation's Strike

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job five to 24 years while recent employees were being retained.

No company officials could be reached for comment, but police patrolling the area said they had been told officials at the plant recently received orders to lay off 350 men in a seasonal production cut.

Trustees Vote To
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day that a change in administration be effected.

An authoritative source disclosed Friday night that Governor Bailey told the board members Friday morning that he would prefer the appointment of Rev. J. C. Dawson of Conway to the superintendency. The board announced the retention of Reeves after a lengthy session at Pine Bluff.

Voting for Reeves were Chairman George Adams, Pine Bluff; Mrs. Laura Davis Fitzhugh, Augusta, mother of Thomas Fitzhugh, who managed Bailey's gubernatorial campaign last summer; Mrs. M. L. Sigmon, Monticello and E. F. Edwards, Conway. Phillips Black, Little Rock, cast the lone vote against Reeves' retention.

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WHY DON'T HE LET TH' OWNER DO SOME OF TH' WORRYIN', INSTEAD OF WEARIN' OUT NERVES, LIKE THAT?

BUT HE'S A VERY VALUABLE ASSET TO TH' COMPANY SAY - HE SAVES TEN FILES IN TEN YEARS, AN' SPENDS ONLY A MONTH IN A SANITARIUM, O PAY - WHY - UH...

FILES LIKE THAT?

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WELL, I
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STAND
FOR IT,
BY,
GLORY...

!!!!!! NO, WAIT! ON SECOND THOUGHT
IT MIGHT BE AN EXCELLENT
CHANGE TO GET A LITTLE
PRACTICE! IF THIS SORT OF THING
CONTINUES, WELL **ALL** BE
PLAYING HARPS BEFORE LONG

BOOTS! - WAIT HE HEARS

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S. THE FIGHT'S
OVER.

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YOU THINK.

BY THE JUMPING BLUE BLAZES, I'VE
BEEN A GENTLEMAN LONG ENOUGH

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WE'LL GO AND GET THE SUEDEE

WE'LL BE BACK, MR. KRING! IF THE OWNER OF THOSE SHOES COMES IN, STALL FOR TIME....

DON'T WORRY, BOYS ...I'M HARDER TO

SHERIFF
!!

AND DON'T LOSE
YOUR HEAD!

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A FEATHER
PILLOW!

By THOMPSON AND COLL

WON'DN'T IT BE A SHAME
IF, SAY, AN OLD FRIEND OF
YOURS SHOULD HEAR YOUR
CRIES, BUT WAS UNABLE
TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT
IT?

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